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Rome, Aug. 19.

NOtwithstanding there are at present 16 Places void in the Colledge of Cardinals, we hear not of any Promotion that is intended, which makes those that have Pretensions, somewhat impatient. The French Ambassador has had some difference with the Court, occasioned by his Servants seizing an Officer or Bailiff, for no other reason, but because they found him within the Liberties belonging to the Ambassadors house, and there keeping him a Prisoner several days, which the Pope was much offended at; but at length, after several persons had endeavoured to accommodate this matter, the Ambassador hath released the said Bailiff, upon the Cardinal *Rospigliosi* assuring him, that it was not the intention of the Pope, that any such persons should be sent into his house. The Cardinal *Vidoni* had two days since a long Conference with the Pope, concerning the affairs of *Poland*, which the Pope appears mighty zealous in; that is to promote the War against the Turks, to which he will contribute on his part.

Vienna, Aug. 28. We are with some impatiency expecting from *Hungary*, the confirmation of the news, of an accommodation being made with the *Hungarian* Malcontents, which is what all good men have long wished to see, as well that so at length an end might be put to the miseries and calamities (the constant Attendant of Civil Wars) which have so long been the portion of that Kingdom, as that the Emperor being free on that side, might be able to employ himself the more for the security of the Empire from abroad. This place begins to be very desolate, the Plague, which still encreases, not having only removed the Court, but all persons of Quality from hence. It was believed that the Death of the late Elector of *Bavaria* would have changed the Councels of that Court, and that the young Elector would marry with the Arch-Dutchess the Emperors Daughter; but as yet we do not perceive the one, or hear of the other; but on the contrary our Advices say, that the Marriage between the Dauphin and the Princess of *Bavaria* will take effect. The Turkish Chiaus, which General *Montecuculi* is gone to give Audience to at *Raab*, comes, as is said, to make proposals, which may divert the Emperor from closeing with those made here by the Polish and Moscovite Ambassadors.

Ratisbonne, Aug. 31. The Duke of *Mombelgard* has made a Complaint to the Dyet, that the French continue hitherto possessed of his Country; and besides that they have Summoned him to appear before the Parliament of *Besanzon*, concerning a Process that has long depended in the Chamber of *Spire*, which they intend contrary to the constitution of the Empire, to remove from thence; and prayed redress in the one and the other. At the same time the Deputy of the Elector Palatiny complains that the Imperial Troops march slowly out of the Empire; and that this it's feared may occasion new troubles with *France*, which in the present posture of Affairs ought carefully to be avoided. Monsieur *Verjus*, the French Minister, his Secretary, is arrived here, to prepare things against his arrival. There is at present great differences between the Deputies of the Electors, and of the Princes, and the Cities of the Empire, concerning some formalities, which gives a stop to all business.

Basel, Aug. 31. The French are building a Fort at *Hunningen*, which the Suisse Cantons are very much concerned at, and resolved not to suffer; and therefore they have written to the most Christian King, to let him know the great jealousie the raising a Fortress there will give them, and to desire orders may be given for the discontinuing that Work; and in case this Letter have not the effect, as they perswade themselves it will, a general Assembly will be held at *Baden*, that such resolutions may be there taken, as may be effectual for the procuring them ease in this matter.

Hamburg, Sept. 5. The last Letters, as well from *France*, as from *Sueden* and *Denmark*, leave no room to doubt, but that the Peace between those Crowns is ere this concluded and signed; and the Letters from *Berlin* say, that they expected every day to hear of the general Peace, yet at the same time tell us, that the Elector did not only go on with his Military preparations, but that they were made at present with greater application than ever, which while we do not know the true meaning of, we are still apt to suspect are intended against this City; and this, how willing soever people are to put those thoughts out of their heads, gives the Merchants some disturbance, especially while the Danes continue so near Neighbors to this City, as yet they do.

Strasburg, Sept. 3. The Deputies which our Magistrates have resolved to send for *France*, are preparing for their journy, though it is hardly to be hoped, that they will be able to change the resolutions that Court has taken (if any such be taken) to assist our Bishop, in order to his re-establishment in those ancient Rights and Jurisdictions, which he pretends to in this City; nor have we any more reason to believe we can withstand so great a Power, at a time that we are deprived of all expectation of assistance of the Imperial Troops, who are now at that distance, that they cannot give us any help. These considerations make people here somewhat uneasie, but whether their fears have any ground, time must shew. It was very confidently reported some time since, that the French

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